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Sir:

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In response to the Office letter of June 23, 2006, applicants elected claims 1, 2 and 3-7 for prosecution herein. The Examiner has now modified this restriction requirement and has requested a restriction between the method and device claims. In response to this requirement (dated October 10, 2006), applicants elect claims 1 and 2 for prosecution herein, reserving the right to file a divisional application for the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Examination on the merits of the elected claims is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted, ULF G. EDERER ET AL

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